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from the editor's desk

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We Go Overboard On "Ceiling Zero"

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We Relinquish Our Editorial Sword

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Were this a dramatic column we would unhesitatingly give four stars or four bells or what have you to the performance of "Ceiling Zero." In Dr. Stephen Nile the Charlatans have found the happy and rare combination of a good director and an expert producer. In Miss Hallahan the dramatic club has at last hit upon a perfect leading lady; they should get her name on a contract right away. In freshmen Klump, Spellman, Bigelow, Schmidt, Ward, and Adams lies the insurance for future successes. The supporting cast was above average, and the staging and mechanical effects beyond praise. We realize we are going overboard about this thing, but so did hundreds of cheering "first-nighters" who demanded encore after encore from the cast and director.

The only criticism we have is that others were not able to witness this fine job. Perhaps in future days the way will be found to put the Charlatans on the road at least in Utica and vicinity.

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Hamilton is fortunate in obtaining the services of so able and brilliant a man as Dr. Knudson, and we take pleasure at this time in welcoming him to the Hamilton family.

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There are many stupid rules incorporated in the administrative by-laws none the least of which was the one requiring undergraduates to attend Sunday chapel after they had finished all of their final exams. In scrapping this dated law it is hoped the trustees have established a precedent by which they will attack similar unreasonable regulations. Specifically, we refer to Section 7, Article 8.

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With the publication of this issue we turn over the keys of the editor's desk to the new incumbent. We do this with relief, but

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Smash-up of Train Scooped by Smith

Gerald C. Smith, '43, accomplished the most sensational feat in Hill journalistic history Saturday morning, when, attempting to phone in a report on "Ceiling Zero" to the Utica Press, he received the report of the Little Falls Lake Shore Limited train wreck and sped to the scene, making connections with the New York Times to send that paper an exclusive account of the accident.

One of the first spectators at the scene, Smith immediately made connections with the Times, for which he has worked during summer vacation, and phoned in the first New York story of the wreck. Calling the Times amid the smoking ruins of the train and the mangled bodies from the crumpled cars, Smith gave a report of the accident and was ordered to call at the Little Falls undertaking parlors and check the number of dead. Calling a cab, Smith visited these and counted thirteen dead at 3:30 Saturday morning. The Times, which ordinarily closes its forms at three a. m. kept them open until 4:55 for Smith's story.

Later in the day, Smith sneaked unobserved into the Little Falls Hospital and obtained ten interviews from survivors. Discovered by hospital attendants, Smith was tossed out.

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White, Rich, Peach to Edit Hill Publications

Announcement Made At Publications Banquet

COWLEY SPEAKER

Henderson Appointed Chief Of the Business Board; 'Cubs' Selected

New editors and managers of Hamilton publications were announced tonight at the annual publications dinner held at Dibble's Restaurant, Vernon. The appointments, which were recommended by Pi Delta Epsilon, have been approved by the Student Publications Board.

Richard S. White succeeds Lewis B. Rock, Jr., as editor-in-chief of **Hamilton Life**, while George E. Ogilvie, Jr., takes Richard C. Missbach's place as managing editor.

The new Royal Gaboon staff is headed by Robert R. Rich as editor-in-chief, and David R. Cummins as managing editor, a newly-created position. Robert E. Peach will be in charge of the 1941 Hamiltonian, assisted by David A. Millner as managing editor. The new business manager of all Hamilton publications is James A. Henderson, Jr., with William W. Joy as his chief aide.

Announcement of these appointments, made by the editors of the various publications, was a part of the program which followed the dinner. Toastmaster Boris H. Klosson also introduced President W. H. Cowley and David H. Beetle, director of public relations, who gave brief talks.

In addition to White and Ogilvie, the retiring **Hamilton Life** staff appointed the following subordinate editors: Sports editor, Sinon O'Neil; associate editor, Richard C. Allman; feature editor, Joseph P. Mangan; exchange editor, Alfonse S. Kaufman; fraternity editor, Charles G. Barton, and news editor, George S. Tillman.

The new business board will have, besides Henderson and Joy, James H. Underwood as national advertising manager, and John T. Underwood as local circulation manager.

White, **Life's** new editor, has been on the staff for two years.

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Faculty-Senior Rivalry To Be Settled Tonight

Nerves are tense on the hill tonight as the faculty and senior bridge teams enter their final contest of the season. The teams stand one and one in a three game series, and the seniors have been training severely in hopes of convincingly demonstrating their superiority.

The play commences at eight o'clock on the faculty home grounds. The weather man promises a clear, dry field.

D. T. Chooses Frosh For Honorary Society

Sophomores Tap Yearlings Wednesday Morning On Chapel Steps

Thirteen freshmen were slapped on the back on the chapel steps this morning and tagged with D. T. champagne corks emblematic of the fact that they have been selected for membership in the sophomore honorary society.

The men chosen and their fraternities are: William McL. Bristol, III, Sigma Phi; John C. Calder, Alpha Delta Phi; James H. Donovan, Delta Upsilon; Richard D. Eberle, Theta Delta Chi; Arthur W. Evans, Delta Upsilon; Lyman Ogilby, Alpha Delta Phi; Robert L. Fay, Emerson Literary Society; Milton H. Jannone, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Robert B. Keenan, Delta Kappa Epsilon; Robert S. Merrill, Chi Psi; Howard J. Potter, Jr., Delta Kappa Epsilon; Robert N. Small, Psi Upsilon and Charles B. Tennant, Psi Upsilon.

The new members of D. T. met at noon Wednesday and elected the officers of their organization.

D. T. is the first of the spring honorary societies to be chosen. Membership in this organization is based mainly on participation in activities and popularity on the campus. The initiation of this group is by far the most colorful of all such affairs on the Hill. Attired in baby bonnets, red balloons, and dragging behind them little red carts; the neophytes present an amusing sight to the rest of the undergraduates.

Five Juniors, Two Sophs Are Named For 1941 Council

Election Is Held in Chapel For Governing Group Of Student Body

The Student Council members for 1940-41, elected by Hamilton students in chapel Monday morning, are Edward H. Abbey, Willard B. Eddy, Jr., Laurance P. Miller, Joseph P. Mangan, Willis F. Weeden, Nelson C. Dale, Jr., and Ernest S. Nuspliger. Officers will be elected tonight.

Abbey is a member of the Chi Psi fraternity, Quadrangle, D. T., and Was Los honorary societies, former president of the freshman class, letterman in hockey, tennis, and soccer. He is captain-elect of the 1940 soccer team. Eddy is a member of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, Quadrangle, D. T., and Was Los honorary societies, member of the Honor Court and choir, and letterman in football and track.

Miller, a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, is also in Was Los honorary society, band, choir, and a letterman in football and hockey. Mangan is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity; Quadrangle and Was Los honorary societies, the choir, head cheer leader, and a letterman in soccer. Weeden, a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity, is in Quadrangle, D. T., and Was Los honorary societies, and a letterman in football.

Of the two sophomore members, Dale belongs to the Sigma Phi fraternity, Quadrangle and D. T. honorary societies, the choir, and a letterman in football and hockey. Nuspliger is a member of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, Quadrangle and D. T. honorary societies, the choir, drum major of the band, and a letterman in basketball.

The Student Council was originated last year in order to have a general governing body for all the students.

Committee Is Chosen For Winter Carnival

The Executive Committee for the Winter Carnival of 1941 will be made up of David Cummins, Richard Allman, Robert Brennan, and John Gardner, all of the class of '41. This was announced by the retiring Executive Committee, who chose their successors for the work they did acting in various capacities during this past Winter Carnival.

Cummins, who is a member of the Chi Psi Fraternity, is in charge of design for the Continental and Royal Gaboon, and has done a great deal of work on stage sets for the Charlatans. He was at the head of the program committee for this past Winter Carnival.

Allman, affiliated with the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, and Brennan, a member of Alpha Delta Phi, are both serving on the staff of **Hamilton Life.** Allman as reporter and Brennan as fraternity editor, both have also worked previously as members of Winter Carnival Committees.

Gardner has worked mainly on past Winter Carnival Committees. This year he worked on the Transportation, Skiing, and Lodging Committee, which had among other things, the responsibility of acquiring skaters and then finding lodgings for them. Gardner is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

The carnival which these men will manage will be the fourth such affair to be presented to Hill undergraduates. The first was started by student initiative and so it has continued up to the present without a break.

Trustees Name Dr. Knudson Of Michigan Language Head

The Board Also Passes New Cut System For Chapel

MR. MINER RESIGNS

Buying of Opthalmograph Also Approved at Annual Spring Meeting

The Board of Trustees, presided over by its chairman, Daniel Burke, LL.D., convened in Clinton Saturday for its annual spring meeting. Besides selecting the new head of the Department of Romance Languages, the Board made a ruling concerning Sunday chapel services held during the exam weeks of January and June, approved the purchase of an opthalmograph, and accepted the resignation of Robert G. Miner, instructor in public speaking.

The trustees decided to retain the practice of having Sunday chapel services during exam weeks, but it made the provision that excuses from these services may be obtained by all those who have finished their examinations. These excuses, however, will not be automatic, but must be specifically granted in each individual case.

Another action taken by the Board during its meeting was the approval given for the purchase of an opthalmograph or portable, binocular eye—movement camera to be used in measuring reading efficiency. Under present plans, students will read assigned passages while the opthalmograph films their eye movements. Reading faults such as frequent re-focusing in reading across the page delay in going from one line to the next, or a tendency to reread phrases already read are revealed, so that remedial steps can then be taken. Effort will be made to increase reading speed and efficiency. It is expected that such a program will be particularly valuable to students in social science where considerable informational reading is required.

The Board accepted the resignation of Robert G. Miner, instructor in public speaking and candidate

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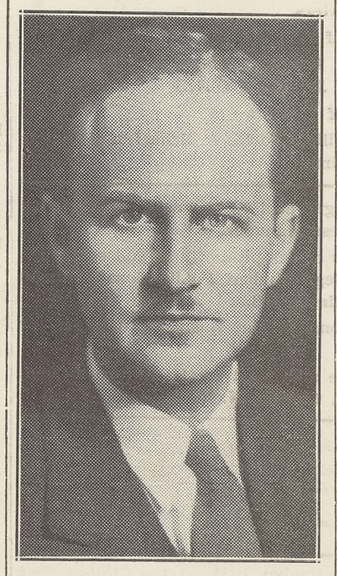
New Language Head



Dr. Charles A. Knudson

Musical Arts Concert Will Feature Harpist

College Choir to Be Heard, Utica String Quartet To Play Sunday

The Musical Art Society will present its annual "Hill Concert" in the chapel next Sunday evening at 8:30. The concert, which will include selections by the college choir, will feature Mrs. John W. Blyth, who will give a group of harp solos.

Mrs. Blyth has studied in Paris under Henritte Renie, who is considered to be Europe's leading harpist. She also studied at the Ecole Normale de Musique, Paris, and continued her work in this country in Boston with Bernard Zighera, first harpist of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Mrs. Blyth will play three solos on a Lyon and Healy Harp. They are: Ballade by Zabel; Fantaisie, by Saint-Saens, and Contemplation, composed by Henritte Renie, her former teacher. Besides her solos, the guest artist will also play in Ravel's "Introduction and Allegro for Harp, Flute, Clarinet, and String Quartet". Mr. Hambrecht, first flutist of the Utica

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New Faculty Member Studied Abroad, At Harvard

DARTMOUTH MAN

Member of Phi Beta Kappa To Succeed Shepard Next September

At its annual spring meeting Saturday the Board of Trustees elected Dr. Charles A. Knudson head of the Romance language department. He will succeed Dr. William P. Shepard, who recently announced his retirement after forty-five years on the Hamilton faculty. Dr. Knudson is at present a member of the faculty of the University of Michigan.

Dr. Knudson was born November 23, 1903, at Shebogen, Wisconsin and received his early education in the Shebogen schools. After graduation from Shebogen High School in 1919, he attended the Berkley-Irving School in New York for one year, and in September, 1920, matriculated at Dartmouth College. He is a classmate of Dr. Cowley.

At Dartmouth Dr. Knudson was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, graduating in 1924 as salutatorian of his class. In 1925 he took his master's degree in Romance languages at Harvard University, and in 1928 he received his Ph.D. in Romance philology from Harvard. From 1926 through 1928 he travelled in France, Belgium, and Italy, on fellowships received at Harvard.

In 1928 he became instructor in French at the University of Buffalo, and from 1929 to 1937 he was assistant professor of French at the University of Michigan. In 1937 he received a full professorship in French at Michigan. He has written numerous reviews and articles on French literature, and from March to September 1936 he continued his studies of Romance philology and literature in

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Bacon Awarded Root Fellowship in Science

Robert L. Bacon, '40, was made the recipient of the Root Fellowship in Science at the annual meeting of the Hamilton College trustees last Saturday, April 20.

Bacon will receive a stipend of one thousand dollars for a year of graduate study at an American or European university. At present he is planning on entering the Zoology Department of Yale University next fall.

The award is made to a member of the senior class who has shown high scholarly attainment, marked ability, and special aptitude for research in one or more departments of science.

During the past year Bacon has been working out a special research problem under the guidance of Professor Walter Norton Hess, of the Hamilton Biology Department. While an official report of the work will not be published until this fall, it is understood that he has been the first to discover and isolate the male hormone in the earthworm.

His findings also indicate that this hormone stimulates the formation of a ring or egg-sac about the worm—a structure that is essentially feminine. If this is true, it is believed to be the first biologic evidence of a male hormone stimulating a female development.

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College Alumnus, Trustee Cheat Death in Rail Wreck

Added to the dramatic story of the Little Falls train wreck last Friday night were stories of Hamilton men and their work among the survivors—the story of a Hamilton trustee who rescued a fellow passenger and the story of another Hamilton alumnus who carried his traveling companion out of one of the most seriously damaged cars.

Dr. Harold W. Thompson, '12, a professor at Albany State Teachers' College, was on the train bound to the trustee meeting held here Saturday. Riding in a day coach, Dr. Thompson received lacerations of the forehead and a bad shaking-up when the engine crashed into the rock cliff. Dr. Thompson assisted one woman out through a window of the crumpled car.

Charles S. Estabrok, Jr., '32, of Fayetteville, was standing in the rear vestibule of the third car from the engine, and narrowly escaped death. He thought that the swaying of the car was due to the pressure as the car rounded the curve, and not until he opened the vestibule door and attempted to make his way to his seat did the car tip on its side. He was thrown against the vestibule door with another passenger and found himself caught on the canvass that was between the fourth and fifth cars as they lay on their sides off the rails. If the rear car had pushed ahead, his life would have been snuffed out instantly.

Mr. Estabrook reached his fellow passenger, Louis Ford, by breaking through the vestibule door. He found Mr. Ford lying in a heap on the window pane on the other side of the car. He lifted Mr. Ford through the window to the tracks and, with the assistance of other passengers, made his way to the state highway on the cliff above the tracks. Mr. Estabrook later returned to the scene and helped rescue other survivors from the wreckage.

Many undergraduates from the Hill drove to the scene of the wreck Saturday and Sunday, and some, hearing the news on the radio that night, drove down shortly after the accident.

Ben Franklin Originator Of Daylight Saving Plan

Believe it or not spring is really here! Even though most of the usual spring signs are missing this year, we still have with us one old faithful. That, dear readers, is daylight saving time. This coming Sunday is the day we remember that we forgot to turn the clocks ahead an hour the night before, and then take a carefully-hoarded Sunday chapel cut, because it's actually 11:30 when we get up, not 10:30 as our alarm clock smirkingly informs us.

The subject of daylight saving time aroused in this reporter a hunk of curiosity, so we traipsed over to the library to see what there was to be read on the subject. And remarkable to behold were the facts gleaned therefrom.

Did you know that Benjamin Franklin was the real perpetrator of the time-saving idea? It so happened that on the morning of March 20, 1784, Ben wakened at 6 a. m. in Paris, blinked at the rising sun, decided it was silly for people to sleep till noon, and further, decided to do something about it.

So Franklin wrote a letter to a Paris newspaper, humorously chiding the Parisians for their sloth, and then outlined a daylight saving plan. He proposed that all bells in every church be rung as soon as the sun rises every morning. "If that is not sufficient, let cannon be fired in every street to wake the sluggards eventually," suggested Franklin.

The idea languished till 1916, when England pushed her clocks ahead as a wartime conservation measure. The United States then followed suit in 1917, the law to become effective in 1918. In 1919, terrific objections from farmers caused the national law to be repealed.

Following the repeal of the Daylight Saving Law, arguments pro and con waxed hot over state lines, some states indignant that the law had been repealed, and others just as indignant that they should think so. Sentiment in favor of the repeal came to a head when New Hampshire, in 1923, passed a law prohibiting daylight saving in

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TO BILL DAVIS: RE CAP AND GOWNS

This senior cap and gown farce has gone far enough. As class president you should take a definite and final stand on the matter and get this thing going. The decision of the class was in favor of continuing the tradition of seniors wearing cap and gowns to Sunday chapel. So far the plan has lacked leadership.

We recommend that no senior be allowed to take his regular place in Sunday chapel unless he is robed properly. A statement to this effect in a class meeting should be all that is necessary to unite the members and make them conform to the rule. If this fails, we should either scrap the idea altogether, or put some teeth in it by making arrangements to dish out chapel cuts to the stubborn ones.

TO THE STUDENT COUNCIL: RE CLASS ELECTIONS

Probably one of the most disorganized systems in undergraduate government at Hamilton is the method of selecting class officers. No system is used twice in a row, and no two dates of election of one class ever come close to approximating one another. The class officers in themselves may or may not be important, but in the interests of good, well-handled government it is important that a standard method of election be adopted and adhered to.

As a rough outline of a practical plan it is here suggested that: (1) the elections be held in the following chronological order: senior, junior, sophomore, and freshman; (2) that a specified date be set for the beginning of each class election (Ex: third daily chapel in October); (3) that all the elections be completed by the end of the first semester; (4) that the method of nomination shall be the announced candidacy of one man from each of the 11 organizations on the hill; (5) that the class shall vote for three of these 11 men listing them in one, two, three order and credit each candidate with three, two, or one points according to the position he is listed on each ballot; (6) that the three highest men on the primary ballot shall be presented to the class again for a final vote with the result determined in the same manner as in No. 5 and (7) that the elected officers hold office, unless expelled by a two-thirds vote, until the next stated election.

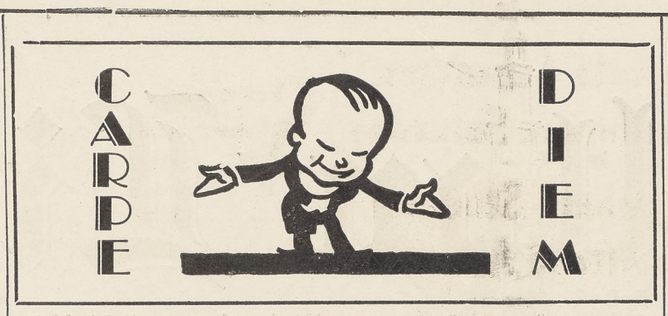
The flaws in the above plan may be such that the council could not accept it. That is as it may be, but it remains that some such definite system should be drafted and adopted and carried out in the future.

This is offered for the consideration of the new council, and an acknowledgment of that consideration will be appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS

It is time for someone to give a well earned boost to the most active yet least supported extra-curricular group on th Hill. We refer to the undergraduates who have done so ably in representing their college on many public speaking platforms this year. Never in recent years have debates, forums, symposiums, mock assemblies, etc., rolled off the tongues of Hamilton undergraduates as they have so successfully this year.

It is too bad, and yet quite understandable that support and interest in this activity is practically nil among students here. It is too bad, because the programs are always instructive in an interesting manner, and there is a great deal to be gleaned from attending a debate or open forum. It is understandable, however, that the glamour of the movies is a much more enticing attraction to the average man than a so-called dry debate. But a little self discipline to force yourself to go to one of these events will reward you surprisingly.



"Pah-ty time" is here once more,
With all its hateful rush and bore,
With guys who fight, but find no dates,
And former "gals" who've met their mates
Flowers, tuxes, cross our mind,
And money, too (the folding kind,)
. . . We hate the bother and the fuss.
Won't someone find a "blind" for us?

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Best flash of the year has to do with the yet to-come week-end. Bud Hay, of A D Phi, asked some gal to come up, and a very, very nice answer came back. Only trouble being, that it came back to Sonny Dale, of Sigma Phi, who had asked her up for Fall Houseparty. There is an answer someplace, but she can't come anyway, so why worry?

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The senior class, in the person of Wee Willy, the Griff, looked sorta snazzy in robes, didn't it, last Sunday chapel? Rumor goes that next week, a good half dozen of the flies are going to be smoothed up, but we're not making any bets.

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Art Seaver finally got the picture of THAT Knox Winter Carnival Queen, and has it pasted on the walls to show all doubting Thomases. But for something that was supposed to "come right away," the chap seems just a teensie weensie lat-ish to us.

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Pot-Pot Barden thought he was doing pretty well to take Dr. I. Q. for three bucks, after he'd only spent five in "attendance fees?" but that was before Jim Murphy took out another seven bucks, bringing him up to a grand total of eleven for the season.

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That sorority Convention in Utica, was anything but conventional as far as a couple of the brothren were concerned. We might mention Mr. Nuspliger, Mr. Lammerts, and Mr. Smith, as prominent among those present but of course, we won't, not us.

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It's getting so, with quizzes and such, that the Deke "Second Room" isn't available much more than once an hour for the ancient and honorable game of Pitch, but of course, a three o'clock game is always ready and waiting.

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Tillman's gal wrote and said that her pop wouldn't let her come, so what does the pride of old Psi U do, but scribble off a letter to the old man, berating, yes, berating him, in no uncertain terms. This is the attitude we like to see, but . . . will poppa?

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The Underwoods' of Auburn claim that they don't mind when George Ogilvie walks off with all their cigarettes, but when a sheet turns up missing as he leaves, that just isn't cricket.

"Ceiling Zero" Impressive In Acting and Producing

By George L. Barton

In their effort to discover new talent and new directing ability, the Charlatans scored their second triumph of the year by their presentation of Frank Wead's "Ceiling Zero, a three act drama, under the direction of Dr. Stephen W. Nile. Elaborate and accurate stage directions helped bring in the romance, comedy, and tragedy which vitally affects life in commercial air service.

The scene is the office of the Newark Airport, and the principal characters are Texas Clark (Dave Appleton), Tay Lawson (Thomas Adams), Jake Lee (William Klump), Tommy Thomas (Mary Hallahan), and Dizzy Davis (Larry Spellman).

Dizzy is about to be replaced by Tay Lawson, who is one of the younger and more scientific type of flyer. Dizzy simply cannot get the new ideas through his head, nor can he get women out of his mind. He therefore shirks his duty on one flight to be with Tay Lawson's girl, Tommy. Texas Clark, who takes Dizzy's place, is killed as he tries to land on the Newark field in a soupy fog. Realizing that he done something against regulations and, worst of all, has killed one of his best friends Dizzy seeks to solve these problems by taking Tay's place on an impossible flight. As he crosses a range of mountains, his plane ices so badly that it is forced down. The crew at the airport listens to his comments on an invention to prevent icing. Over the radio, the men on duty at the field hear Dizzy's crash.

Certain highlights of the play kept the action from dragging and pulled it up from the level of a mediocre play to the success it was. For instance, Ralph Nichols and Anthony Schepsis, after their first moments of stage fright had worn off, kept the audience laughing with their comedy and witty sarcasm. These two grimey mechanics, one short, the other tall, snapped back and forth at each other during parts of the first and third acts, lifting action which otherwise might have dragged.

The crash scene was by far the most impressive part of the play, and the cast did not fail to capitalize on the opportunity to prove that it could handle tragic scenes well.

Mary Hallahan, Thomas Adams, and Larry Spellman found themselves involved in the clutches of the ever appearing triangular affair, and the complications which arise as the result of this situation afforded an excellent opportunity for interesting and stirring drama.

By way of adverse criticism, there are a few points which should be commented on. In spite of the fact that he carried a terrific load and carried it extremely well, William Klump was not the type for a tough manager of pilots and mechanics. His voice and appearance were too refined to let him fit his role perfectly. There were other instances of improper casting among the minor characters.

On the whole, however, the play was a great success. Larry Spellman and Dave Appleton were perfectly cast and played their parts excellently. Thomas Adams, making his first appearance in a major part for the Charlatans, proved to be the best "natural" in the whole cast.

But one group who works day and night for a play, but receives little praise for its efforts, is the stage crew. "Ceiling Zero" could not have been a success had it not been for the work of Harrie Price, Dave Cummins, Jack Gardner and the rest of the stage gang that provided a realistic setting for the performance.

E. Judson Humeston is teaching French and Spanish at Hollins College, Virginia.

Bill Weld Accepts Post As English Instructor At Iowa State

William E. Weld, Jr., '35, formerly assistant secretary of admissions at Hamilton College has accepted a position as instructor of English at Iowa State College next fall.

Weld has been studying at Columbia University where he will receive his M.A. this June. He is affiiliated with the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and Pentagon.

Alumni Notes

By David H. Beetle

Dr. George E. Brewer, '81 a distinguished surgeon who was for many years a member of the staff of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, died in New York on December 24. After his retirement from active practice in 9127. Dr. Brewer devoted much time to the study of anthropology. On May 23, 1936, during a visit to College Hill, he spoke at the Faculty Club on "Cro-Magnon Man." He was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity.

Justice William F. Dowling, Utica, now serving temporarily on the Appellate Bench, was appointed January 1 to the Appellate Division, 4th Department, by Governor Lehman. He will succeed Justice Edmund H. Lewis, who was advanced to the Court of Appeals. Judge Dowling was graduated from West Winfield High School and Hamilton, and married Miss Margaret Ober, Brooklyn, in 1907. He gained admittance to the bar in 1909, but was defeated in his candidacy for mayor of Utica in 1917. After serving a long time as Supreme Court justice, he secured a temporary appointment to the Appellate bench on January 1, 1938. The justice lives in New Hartford and has virtually commuted between there and Rochester since his appointment.

The election of Henry P. Bristol, president of the Bristol-Myers Company, to the Board of Directors of the Irving Trust Company, New York City, was announced on January 4 by President Ward. He joined the Bristol-Myers Company in 1910, and in 1916 saw service on the Mexican border as a member of the National Guard. Later he served as a major of artillery during the World War. Bristol was elected president of the company in 1928, and is also a trustee of the East River Savings Bank and of Hamilton College.

George H. Lyon, formerly editor of the Buffalo Times, will be the managing editor of a New York City paper to be published June 1 without any comics, advertising, editorials, or column features. Ralph McAllister Ingersoll, president of Publications Research, Inc., publisher of the paper, and former president of Time, Inc., announced that the front page would be devoted to an index of the contents, and that headlines would fit the merit of the story, not conform to space demands. About half the journal will be in pictures, some colored sketches, and advertising will be reported as news if the editors

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Sport Notes

By L. W. Knox, '41

The writer has been sitting here, listening to the rain and thinking of the baseball team with its lack of practice. Saturday, Swarthmore comes here to open the 1940 Buff and Blue baseball season. The Quakers have played three or four games already; Hamilton has had only one week of outside practice. The outlook is definitely not very rosy for Coach Weber and his baseball club. If only Hamilton had a spring training trip the prospect would not be so gloomy.

Spring training for Hamilton is not a fantastic idea conjured up by a desperate columnist. It is something that is being done every year by colleges of our size. Colby College is one school like ours that we can think of which makes a trip into the South each spring vacation. Colby is not a rich school, yet it can manage to send its ball team down South for some invaluable training. As a result, they get the jump on other New England schools that they play. Hamilton can do this too, simply by lining up five or six games with colleges in Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. The guarantees that the college would get from these games would help defray the expenses of such a tour. Doubtless, the fellows on the team manage to spend quite a few shekels each spring vacation to amuse themselves. If they like their baseball well enough, they could use these shekels to make a trip into the sunny south. The Administration wants publicity for the college. Why not advertise it by sending the baseball team down south? This publicity would be inexpensive, and might help get a wider geographical distribution of students.

Such a trip would eliminate the worries that now beset Coach Weber. Hamilton would be able to play its regular games with a greater confidence derived from the spring practice games. The plan is not impractical from a financial point of view. There might even be some wealthy alumnus who would help defray part of the expenses. Maybe the rain has driven the writer a trifle balmy, but we think it's a good idea.

Students Debate State Relief Tonight on Air

The sixth program in the series of Hamilton symposiums over WIBX goes on the air tonight at 7:30, with two sophomores and two juniors arguing the question, "Is State Relief Expense a Temporary or a Permanent Financial Burden?"

William C. Zahn and Robert Towner of the class of 1941 and Robert K. Gordon and James V. Knight, Jr., of the class of 1942 will take part in the symposium, the continuation of a series started last November. They are directed by Professor Willard B. Marsh, head of the public speaking department.

The series of programs was arranged last year by Mr. Marsh, David Beetle, director of the college public relations department, and Michael Hanna, WIBX education and public relations director. The programs have covered both local and international topics. The programs have been done using Hill students exclusively and also with undergraduates discussing problems with Utica men.

The last program in the current series is to be presented next month.

The topic for this symposium has not yet been announced.

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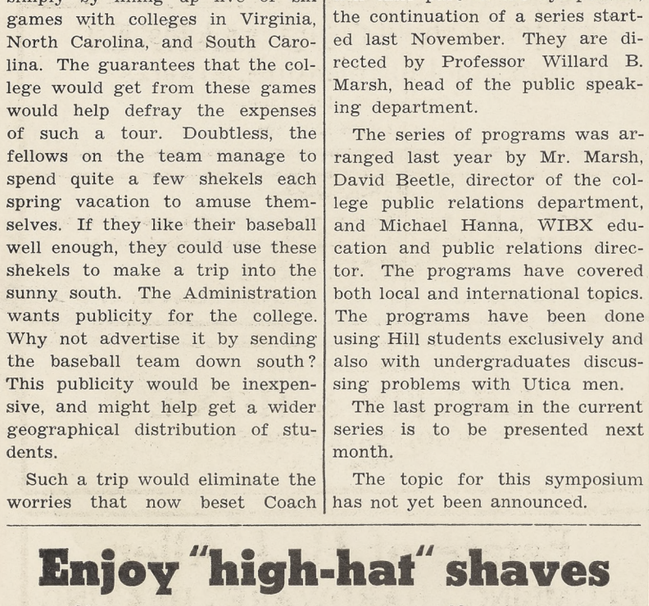

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Weather Delays Sports Schedules; Nine to Meet Swarthmore Saturday

Interclass Track Contest To Be Held Friday And Saturday

Spring sports are still taking a beating from the weather, and "hope" is the keyword with the athletes and coaches. The baseball team still hopes to play Swarthmore here Saturday, the track men hope to run the interclass meet this week-end, and the golf squad hopes to meet Syracuse there on the thirtieth of April.

Coach Weber hoped to be able to drill his men outdoors all this week, but the weather has cut practice on the diamond to a minimum. Swarthmore has begun its season schedule and is reported to have won two games and to have lost two others. How the Hillmen will show up against the Swarthmore invaders here Saturday depends in part on how much practice the team can get in before then. The practice game which was planned for last Saturday had to be called off because of weather conditions. In any case, the game will probably be played Saturday—weather permitting.

The outdoor track is still partly covered with snow. As a result, trackmen training under Coach Winters are confined to the Sage Building. The vaulters and field men have suffered most from the handicap of indoor practice and Coach Winters hopes to get them outdoors as soon as possible. He plans to hold the meet this Friday and Saturday outdoors. The hurdle distance may be shortened because the hurdlers have had little chance to practice. All events will be run Friday and Saturday.

In a way, the golf squad has suffered more from the weather than the baseball or track men. The dozen men out for the golf team have had no opportunity to practice putting—the fourth and sixth greens are still covered with snow, and the others are too wet for use. As a result, the squad is not in very good shape as yet. Hobart, the opponent scheduled for last Saturday, did not play as neither the Hobartmen or the Buff and Blue had had any practice and the course was unplayable at that time.

The following is the revised golf schedule for the season: April 30, Syracuse at Syracuse; May 4, Union at Clinton; May 7, St. Lawrence at Clinton; May 11, Rochester at Rochester; May 15, Union at Schenectady, May 18, Colgate at Hamilton; May 25, Rochester at Clinton.

Couper Elected Director

Edgar W. Couper, Binghamton, was elected to the directorate of the Security Mutual Life Insurance Company on February 5 at the annual meeting of the board. He was chosen to replace Mr. Walter F. Titus, who resigned. For the past 20 years, he has been associated with the insurance firm of Nelson, Wadsworth, and Alexander, Inc. He is a trustee of Hamilton College, and of the City National Bank, beside being a former president and present director of the Binghamton Chamber of Commerce. He is also active in the Community Chest and the Y. M. C. A.

Becomes Elmira Librarian

In January, James T. Dunn began his duties as librarian of the Chumung County Library in Elmira. He was graduated from the Library School, at Syracuse University in June, 1939, and had taken up work at the University of California as a candidate for master's degree in library science when the post in Elmira was offered him. He was in the publishing business in St. Paul, Minnesota, for two years after graduation.

Debate Students Attend Assembly

Eight members of the Hamilton debate squad will attend the eighth annual Student Assembly of the New York State Conference at Colgate University this Friday and Saturday. The Hill debaters will be accompanied by Professor Marsh on their trip to participate in the mock legislative session.

Last year twenty-five colleges throughout the state sent delegates to the assembly. On Friday of the meeting, there will be a general session after which the delegates will meet in four committees to draw up bills on four agreed-upon problems. The committees will discuss: (1) financing the state's relief program, (2) a possible reduction of the price of milk to the consumer, (3) coordination and control of state transportation, and (4) improvement of county government.

The Hamilton members of the committee on relief will be R. Towner and J. Knight; R. Hansmann and A. Hooke will be members of the committee on transportation; W. Griffith and H. McCormick will be on the committee on county government, and D. Appleton and R. Peach will be members of the milk committee.

Last year the Student Assembly was held at Cornell University. A Hamilton College delegation attended and participated in a program much like that planned for the meeting this week-end. The assembly this year at Colgate is under the direction of J. V. Garland, director of debate at the university.

The eight Hamilton delegates and Professor Marsh plan to travel by car leaving the Hill early Friday morning and returning late Saturday. Lodgings and accomodations for those attending the Assembly which is the oldest of intercollegiate assemblies, are being arranged. The general meetings will be held in the Colgate Memorial Chapel and the committees will meet in the Student Union Building.

Geology Classes Will Make Two Field Trips

This Thursday afternoon the advanced geology classes will make a trip to the Intercollegiate Geological Conference held at Catskill.

The classes plan to study the region of Catskill in relation to fossil life and rock structures. They will live in tourist camps until their return on Saturday. The expedition will be headed by Dr. Willard H. Parsons.

The Geology 2 class will also make a field trip to Little Falls Saturday under the leadership of Dr. Nelson C. Dale. They will study the rock formations and fossils of the Mohawk Valley.

Dr. Work Goes to Buffalo

Dr. Henry H. Work, Jr., at present specializing in neuro-psychiatric disorders of children at the Emma Pendleton Bradley Home, East Providence, R. I., will take up duties as resident in the Children's Hospital, Buffalo, on July 1.

Sidewalk Superintendent Says . . .

Early this week the new gymnasium's fencing room was completed, insofar as painting of the walls and ceiling and installation of final fixtures is concerned. Floormen have been sanding and finishing the floors.

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Painters have started finishing the ceilings and walls of the basketball courts. Ceilings and supporting iron work are to be done with aluminum paint. Walls will be covered with an aluminum filler, and then painted. Two of the six sections of the ceiling have been completed, and the whole job should be done by next week. With this work done, men will be able to finish the floor, and the electricians will be able to put in lighting fixtures.

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Since it has been found that wood to be used in the framework of the squash court walls has stored badly and in some instances has warped, the contractors have decided to go ahead with these courts and erect at least the wall framework.

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The swimming pool is now ready for operation, and only the approval of state inspectors is necessary before this feature can be put into use. Coach Albert I. Prettyman expects that at least the seniors will be able to use the pool several times this year. It is doubtful, he says, whether members of the lower classes will be extended this privilege until next fall, since each man will be given a swimming test before he will be allowed to use the pool.

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Lockers were ordered early this week, and the contractor expects that they will be delivered about the twenty-fifth of May. Also at this time the order was given for 600 chairs which will be used at the commencement banquet June 17.

'World Today Is Mad' Seabury Tells College

Last Wednesday night Mr. David Seabury, noted psychologist, author, and lecturer addressed the college on mental hygiene.

Mr. Seabury said. "We are living in a mad world because we don't have mental hygiene. Mentally we are as far pregressed as the people living one thousand years ago. We have not kept our spiritual and mental life up with our material and scientific advances."

"Environment should be adjusted to the individual rather than the individual to the environment. Never blame yourself for a failure when the failing may be outside yourself.

"Dictators were the result of a negative complex that is sweeping the world today. Lenin had a persecution complex and Stalin has a compensating inferiority complex which was proven when he had twenty thousand Russians killed. Hitler has shown his madness when he sent his army to Poland, and more recently to Norway."

After the lecture Mr. Seabury answered questions on his topic in the Theta Delta Chi house.

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D. U.'s Lead in Ping Pong Meet

Top Eighteen Play Second Round This Week; Six Undefeated

With all outdoor sports still frozen up or rained out, the ping pong round-robin has held the limelight lately. The first round has been played, and the D. U.'s are leading.

The initial series of games was run off with the entrants for each fraternity playing in one of six groups. Each player had four games to paddle his way through. The men were given a point for each game they won, and the points were totalled for the fraternities.

Competition was extremely stiff, and the six men who have four wins and no losses on their record had to work. The undefeated entrants are: Johnson, D. U.; Sanson, Alpha Delt; D. Smith, Squires; Mac Lenathan, Psi U.; Shulman, Squires; and Leavenworth, D. U. The totals for the fraternities at the end of the first round are: D. U., 11; Squires, 9; Psi U, 8; Alpha Delt, 7; Chi Psi, 7; E. L. S., 6; Sigs, 5; Theta Delt, 4; Lambda Chi, 3; Tekes, 0.

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Newman Club Men Attend Conference

Last week-end four members of the Hamilton College Newman Club attended the annual conference of the Central New York Province of the Newman Club Federation at Geneva. The members, Bernard F. Maloy, '40, president of the club, Harry J. McCormick, '40, vice president, Alex Rutherford, '41, and Richard White, '41, comprised the first delegation from Hamilton ever to attend a Newman Club convention.

Representatives from sixteen colleges were at the meeting, which was held at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. One of the highlights of the conference was a panel discussion of "The Problems Confronting the Catholic Student in a Secular College". In this discussion Maloy and McCormick were two of the four delegates chosen to make the principal speeches.

There were dances on both Friday and Saturday nights for the more than one hundred who attended the meeting and at the business meeting Alex Rutherford was elected vice-chairman of the Central New York Province. At this meeting resolutions were passed in favor of the recent decision in the Bertrand Russell case and in approval of President Roosevelt's appointment of Myron Taylor as his personal representative to the Vatican.

Bishop Kearney of the Rochester diocese was the principal speaker at the Communion breakfast which was held at the Hotel Seneca on Sunday morning.

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EDITOR'S DESK—

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not without regret. The headaches are soon forgotten, and the memories of the fun will always linger on. We also bequeath to the new editor our editorial sword only slightly soiled from the blood of battle. The implication of the latter statement may be fortunate or unfortunate. Fortunate, because the necessity for wielding this weapon was lessened in a community where reforms are in full progress and signs of life are becoming increasingly evident. Unfortunate, in that we probably missed many opportunities to pitch in to fight for a worthy cause.

In any event, this is the end of the trail, and so we add a final 30.

BACON AWARDED—

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A single earthworm is both masculine and feminine, but any sac containing eggs is classed as feminine. Bacon discovered that when he removed male hormones from an earthworm, they did not develop the sac.

MUSICAL ART—

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Civic Orchestra, will play the flute, while William Schueler, director of the College Band and former clarinetist with Sousa's Band, will play clarinet. The string quartet is composed of four members of the Utica Civic Orchestra: Leo Mahn, Felix Magendanz, Charles Budesheim, and Reginald Oberriter, who will play the cello.

The choir, under the direction of Professor Paul A. Fancher, will sing nine numbers in two groups.

The first group:

Kyrie Eleison, from Mass in C Minor, Ludwig Van Beethoven; Introit and Sanctus from Mass for Men's Voices by Franz Schubert; Ave Maria, Franz Abt, with a tenor solo by Thomas F. O'Donnell, '42; and O Rejoice, Ye Christians Loudly, Johann Sebastian Bach.

The second group:

Were You There, Negro Spiritual; Wade in De Water, Negro Spiritual; Have You Got Good Religion, Negro Spiritual; and Song of Bohemia, Czecho-Slovak Folksong.

The concert, the last scheduled for this year, will also include other numbers, which have not yet been announced.

NEW EDITORS—

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He is one of the two junior members of Pi Delta Epsilon. In addition, he is a member of the German and Newman Clubs and is affiliated with Alpha Delta Phi. Rich, who succeeds Edgar M. Glenn as head of the Royal Gaboon, is the other junior member of Pi Delta Epsilon. Associated with E. L. S., he has been active for the past year as an assistant in the English composition department. The new yearbook editor, Peach, is also a member of E. L. S., and is active on the intercollegiate debating squad.

The publications dinner, an annual affair sponsored by the Hamilton chapter of Pi Delta Epsilon, is attended by the staffs and competitors of the Hill publications, the business board, and faculty members associated with Hamilton journalistic activities.

ALUMNI NOTES—

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think it merits space. The paper has a capital of $1,500,000.

Rev. Charles Beattie Thompson is the pastor of the First Parish Church, Presbyterian, Hudson, N. Y., which celebrated its 105th anniversary on February 23. Among its former members were President Van Buren; Benjamin Butler, attorney general of the United States; and Colonial Elisha Williams, a noted lawyer. This is Rev. Thompson's 13th year with the parish.

Professor Willis K. Jones, Miami University published his translation of "The Songbook of the Babe Jesus", a Christmas play in Spanish by Armando Moock, in "Poet Lore", Volume 45.

On February 13, Charles H. Phelphs, Jr., a former partner of of Turnbull and Co. and at present an independent specialist, has been elected a Class A governor of the New York Curb Exchange for a term of three years.

The engagement of Miss Mary Christina Wood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Wood, Marcellus, to Duane C. Tucker was recently announced. Miss Wood was graduated from Cazenovia Seminary and Oberlin College and is now teaching at the Lindenhurst Elementary School on Long Island. Mr. Tucker is also teaching, in Spencerport.

Robert L. Reed, New York City, has formed a partnership with Robert T. Crane, Jr., to practice law at 80 Broad Street, New York City.

John R. Normile, assistant district attorney of Broome County, on February 1 became a member of the law firm of Jenkins, Deyo, and Hitchcock, Binghamton. He will also continue in his post of assistant prosecutor.

SCOOP BY SMITH—

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Tipped off to the fact that the proprietor of a service station near the scene of the accident might have some information regarding the accident, Smith obtained an exclusive report from him and later contacted Edward Pawluk, Herkimer, a witness to the entire accident. The Pawluk story was also an exclusive one.

Smith estimated that he had sent a total of three to four thousand words to the Times and the New York Sun, most of which were exclusive color stories of interviews with survivors and eyewitnesses.

He also assisted Warren Moscow, Albany staff man of the Times in gathering material for the Sunday Times' front page story.

Proof of the fact that the life of a newspaperman is not all glory, however, was found by Smith about 2 a. m. Sunday, when he suddenly discovered that he hadn't been to bed since six Friday morning.

BEN FRANKLIN—

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the state, and fixing a $500 fine on any and all violators thereof. At that time, Pennsylvania and Delaware also prohibited "fast time."

Since then, opinion has gradually swung around to the opposite extreme. At present, although Wisconsin and New Hampshire still prohibit time-saving, seventeen other states are allowing it to be practiced in the various cities where ordinances are so passed. The rest of the states just don't care.

So that's the history behind your annual Sunday gripe at losing an hour's sleep. Let this be a warning to you—set those clocks back Saturday night!

CUT SYSTEM PASSED—

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for a master of arts degree this June. Mr. Miner has been awarded a fellowship in history at the Yale University Graduate School and will begin work for his Ph.D. degree.

A graduate of Binghamton High School in 1930 and of Hamilton College in 1934, Mr. Miner taught at Athens College, Athens, Greece, and later at Robert College, Istanbul, Turkey, before coming to Hamilton in 1937. In addition to his public speaking duties, he also taught the history classes of Dr. Edgar B. Graves, during the latter's absence last spring. At Hamilton he is seeking his M.A. in history and English literature.

NAME DR. KNUDSON—

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Europe. He is a member of the Modern Language Association of America, the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters, and other linguistic associations.

In September, 1939, Dr. Knudson was married to Miss Sylvia Lee. He is affiliated with the Congregational Church and is a member of Delta Upsilon.

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